

NEBRASKA

Safety Belt Facts

- ✓ During 2009, 223 people died and 17,775 were injured in traffic crashes in Nebraska.
- ✓ One collision occurs every 15 minutes in Nebraska.
- ✓ One in every 21 licensed drivers in Nebraska will be involved in a motor vehicle collision each year.
- ✓ Of the 205 fatal crashes in Nebraska, 73 or 36% of these crashes were alcohol-related.
- ✓ Motor vehicle crashes cost Nebraska over \$729,430,000 annually using 2008 National Safety Council calculable costs of motor vehicle crashes.
- ✓ Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for people between the ages of 5 and 34.
- ✓ 49 people were injured each day in motor vehicle crashes in Nebraska during 2009 and one person was killed every 39 hours.
- ✓ The observed safety belt use rate in 2009 for drivers and passengers was 85 percent.
- ✓ Safety belts cut the risk of death or serious injury in a crash by 45 to 50 percent.



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